

## Message Text

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TAGS: TGEN, ETEL, HO  
SUBJECT: SATELLITE TELECONFERENCE FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

REF: (A) 77 STATE 293375, (B) 76 TEGUCIGALPA 3508

1. THE EMBASSY HAS CAREFULLY REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED SUBJECT AND UNFORTUNATELY DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT SITUATION IN HONDURAS JUSTIFIES DEMONSTRATION NOW COMPARED TO MANY OTHER COUNTRIES. APPLICABILITY HERE WOULD BE VERY LIMITED. THIS GENERAL SUBJECT HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN CONSIDERED IN RELATION TO A 1976 AID-SPONSORED DEMONSTRATION (REF B) OF TECHNOLOGY APPLICATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WHICH REACHED SIMILAR CONCLUSION, I.E., OF MORE INTEREST AND BENEFIT TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE A LARGE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL BASE.

2. FOLLOWING ANSWERS KEYED TO QUESTIONS IN REFTEL A, PARA 4.

A. GOH IS INTERESTED IN USING SATELLITE IMAGERY FOR MAPPING AND NATURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY PURPOSES, BUT THE EMBASSY IS NOT AWARE OF ANY CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO TELECONFERENCING.

B. AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, MINERALS, HEALTH.

C. LANGUAGE BARRIERS WOULD EXIST IN ALL AREAS. WHILE SENIOR  
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GOH OFFICIALS AND TECHNICIANS ARE OFTEN GRADUATES OF U.S. UNIVERSITIES AND SPEAK ENGLISH, LIMITED RESOURCES AT OTHER LEVELS WOULD MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO PUT TOGETHER OTHER THAN HIGH-LEVEL PROJECTS.

D. AGRICULTURE, HEALTH AND NUTRITION.

E. FERTILITY CONTROL.

FM NOT ABLE TO DETERMINE.

G. NO PREFERRED TIME OF YEAR.

H. NOT AVAILABLE.

I. PRESUMABLY MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND THE MINISTRIES  
COVERING ANY AREAS THAT MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN A POSSIBLE  
TELECONFERENCE.

J. THERE ARE TWO TV STATIONS IN TEGUCIGALPA. HONDURAS USES  
NICARAGUA'S SATELLITE GROUND STATION FOR RECEIVING PURPOSES.

K. NO.

L. AS IS EVIDENT FROM THE ABOVE, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT  
SUBJECT PROGRAM IS NOT NOW APPROPRIATE FOR THIS COUNTRY. BASIC PROBLEM

IS THAT FOR DEMONSTRATION TO BE USEFUL, IT MUST BE CLEAR  
THAT FOLLOW-ON PROGRAMS OFFER THE PROSPECT OF REAL BENEFITS AT LOW COST

WITHIN A VISIBLE PERIOD.  
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